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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**October, 2011**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases\* submitted to the laboratories this month.....1119  
Number of items\* contained in these cases .....1914

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....524  
Number of items analyzed this month..... 895

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 7253  
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 73 days  
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed ..... 111

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	1068	15%
16-30 days old	806	11%
31-50 days old	1165	16%
Greater than 50 days	4214	58%
TOTAL	7253	100%

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	26	3%
16-30 days	61	7%
31-50 days	247	28%
Greater than 50 days	561	63%
TOTAL	895	100%

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	227
Cocaine	190
Heroin	142
Others	336
TOTAL	895

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	3
Cocaine	11
Oxycodone	6
TOTAL	20

**Calendar Year (2011) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	17913
Items Analyzed	14644